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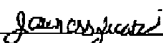
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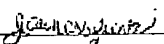
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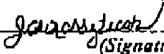
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This is a reply to the Office Action mailed January 26, 2004  
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enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

The **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 4.